

The State of Wisconsin wishes to file the following comments:

Re: Wideband Interoperability Channel Standard

We believe that any required data interoperability standard should be an open standard, jointly developed by the manufacturing community, free from licensing costs, and not cause an undue increase in the cost of the end product. It does not appear that the market is to this point yet.

Re: Display Labeling (Nomenclature)

We support a mandate for the use of standard channel nomenclature for interoperability channels and believe that radios equipped with alphanumeric displays should be capable of displaying standardized Interoperability Channel labels. This will put responders "on the same page" instead of being confused by differing channel names.

Re: State Interoperability Executive Committee (SIEC)

We believe that each state should have a SIEC and a state interoperability plan. We support an extension of the SIEC's authority to include administration of all interoperability channels. We agree that a certain amount of control is necessary in order to minimize interference and facilitate a seamless, coordinated interoperability communications capability.

Re: Regional Planning

We support the required use of a national pre-coordination database (CAPRAD) for 700 MHz planning. We believe that this database is also useful to track the use of state and interoperability channels.

We support the NCC recommendations that minor plan amendments may be made without prior Commission approval.